

NATIONS NOT UNITED

Secretary Knox Ignorant of Russia-Japan Coalition.

THEIR ATTITUDES SIMILAR

Gives Rise to Suspicion that Secret Arrangement Has Been Made Relative to Manchuria-China, Germany, and Great Britain Favor Secretary Knox's Proposal.

Secretary of State Knox has received no information from Tokyo tending to show that Japan and Russia have formed a coalition to oppose the consummation of the scheme for the neutralization of the Manchurian railroads, proposed to the powers some weeks ago by Mr. Knox.

If these two governments have formed such an agreement, however, it would be no surprise to officers of the State Department. Japan and Russia have followed similar policies in Manchuria since the end of the Russo-Japanese war. In fact, the similarity of their attitudes toward the various problems developed during the reconstruction period in Manchuria has given rise to a suspicion that they have a secret agreement relating to Manchuria.

Own All Railroads.

Japan and Russia are interested in Mr. Knox's suggestion for political reasons, but they also are vitally concerned over the proposed project because of the fact that these two powers own all the important railroads in Manchuria. The Russian railroad zone is in the northern and northwestern part of Manchuria, while the Japanese own the roads in the eastern and southern portion. British and American capitalists have obtained a concession for the construction of a proposed railroad from Chinchow to Tsitsihar with a later extension to Algen.

Construction work upon this road has not been begun. This railway will be important because of the fact that it will connect with the Trans-Siberian Railroad at Tsitsihar and divert traffic originating in Europe and coming over the Trans-Siberian from the South Manchurian Railroad, which is a Japanese concern.

China, Germany, and Great Britain are disposed favorably toward Mr. Knox's proposal. France will follow the lead of Russia, as the French government has in recent years in its policy toward Eastern questions. Japan and Russia will place themselves in an unenviable position by refusing to assent to the neutralization scheme.

For Economical Development.

According to State Department information, it is admitted pretty generally that Mr. Knox's suggestion will lead to the economical development of Manchuria, and will also result in an improvement in the administration and operation of the Manchurian railroads.

If Japan and Russia decline to accept the neutralization plan, it will be regarded by the public sentiment of the world as admitting that they wish to retain possession of their railroads in Manchuria for military and commercial reasons, to aid in the development of their commerce and trade.

In view of the fact that both these countries have declared in favor of the open-door policy of equal opportunity for all in China, a negative answer to Mr. Knox's suggestion would place them in an embarrassing position in the eyes of the world.

PINCHOT POLICIES SUIT GRAVES

New Forester Plans No Reorganization of Service.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 13.—Prof. Henry S. Graves, director of the Yale forestry school, who has been appointed to take the place of Gifford Pinchot, returned from Washington to-day.

He said that in his opinion the sentiment of the whole country is in favor of conserving public resources. He further expressed himself in favor of the policy pursued by Mr. Pinchot as chief of the Forest Service.

So far as he knew there would be no reorganization of the Forest Service, said Prof. Graves.

ELOPING COUPLE UNDISTURBED

Daughter of Millionaire and Chauffeur Husband Await Forgiveness.

Undisturbed by the storm of parental wrath which their elopement occasioned, Joseph F. Smollen and his bride, the winsome daughter of G. Howland Leavitt, of New York, millionaire banker and railroad magnate, are spending their honeymoon in Washington, incidentally waiting for the indignant parent to relent and forgive.

But thus far Mr. Leavitt has maintained the marble heart and has made no overtures toward his daughter, who last Sunday left her home in New York and skipped with Smollen over to Jersey City, where the knot was tied. For the last several months Smollen had been in charge of Mr. Leavitt's garage as chauffeur.

At the Arlington Hotel, where Mr. and Mrs. Smollen are staying, they have an elaborate suite. The bride keeps strictly to her apartments and is seldom seen in the corridors.

Smollen is having a desperate time avoiding the newspaper men. He keeps aloof from every one except the hotel employees, with many of whom he has made friends. When he leaves the hotel he goes to a news stand and buys New York papers, but as yet no hint has been gleaned from a news column or from any other source that the millionaire father has relented.

Labor Council Entertained.

Members of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor were entertained last night at a "smoker" and lunch by friends at Callaghan's cafe, Seventh and G streets.

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ROOSEVELT ON TAFT.

Letters from Africa Indorse Actions of Present Administration.

According to statements made last night, letters have been received in Washington from Col. Roosevelt, in which he discusses the political situation in the United States.

It was said the former President had kept himself informed of political conditions up to late last fall, and that in his comments he found nothing to confirm the opinions of some of his most enthusiastic followers that President Taft was making political mistakes.

Colonel Roosevelt, it was said, gave hearty indorsement to President Taft's action with regard to the tariff and the sentiments uttered by him on his Western trip, even those sentiments which have provoked adverse comment on the part of devoted followers of the last administration in the Middle West.

It was asserted by men who claimed to be constant of the contents of Col. Roosevelt's communications that he discouraged the efforts of some of his friends who had been writing to him to find fault with President Taft, and that he indicated plainly that when he returned to the United States he would permit himself to be used in the prospective effort to discredit Mr. Taft and his administration.

DICKINSON BACK FROM PORTO RICO

Everything Flourishing, He Says, Except Coffee.

Charleston, S. C., Jan. 13.—Secretary of War Dickinson and party arrived at 1 o'clock to-day on the Mayflower from Havana, after a month's tour of Porto Rico, Santo Domingo, and Cuba.

The Secretary, Gen. Clarence Edwards, and Col. J. R. Keen left at 4 o'clock by train for Washington. Others of the party continued on the Mayflower, except A. W. Biggs and Caruthers Ewing, who left for Memphis.

Secretary Dickinson said he had found conditions in Porto Rico very good. All lines of trade showed prosperity, except the coffee industry, which was suffering from the competition of Brazil and the effects of the tariff. Sugar and fruit production, he said, are especially profitable.

Health conditions in the island, he said, were gratifying, though some changes in the administration of sanitary affairs might be recommended.

The visit to Santo Domingo was made to look into the receivership of customs under United States authority. The Secretary seemed satisfied with what he saw, but would not discuss the situation.

Mr. Dickinson said they had a pleasant call at Havana, and found conditions in Cuba agreeable.

GIFTS TO PRINCETON, \$571,000

Morris K. Jesup Founds Cornelius C. Cuyler Fund.

Cleveland H. Dodge and Mrs. Alexander Matland Among Many Other Donors.

Princeton, N. J., Jan. 13.—Gifts to Princeton University to the amount of \$571,000 were announced at the meeting of the board of trustees to-day. The principal one of these was that of \$300,000 bequeathed by the late Morris K. Jesup to found the Cornelius C. Cuyler fund, and among others were \$100,000 from Cleveland H. Dodge, of New York City, for Guyot Hall and the Vivarium; \$50,000 from the ladies' auxiliary for the infirmary; \$20,000 from a friend for the university; Y. M. C. A.; \$10,000 from Mrs. Alexander Matland, of New York City, for scholarships; and \$5,000 from Mrs. Henry C. Green, of Trenton, for the graduate council fund.

The Hon. John L. Cadwallader, 75, LL. D., was elected a life trustee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of ex-President Grover Cleveland, and George W. T. Whitney was made a proceptor in philosophy in the university faculty.

INCORPORATION BILL.

Administration Measure Goes to Congress in a Few Days.

The administration measure providing for the incorporation of those concerns which are engaged in interstate commerce, which was drafted by Attorney General Wickersham, with the aid of Secretary Nagel, of the Department of Commerce and Labor; the President, and Senator Root, and which was mentioned in Mr. Taft's special message last week, is now almost complete.

The Attorney General said last night that the bill was in its second revision, and that it would not be finished in all minor details until next week, at which time it probably would be given to Congress.

Even those who are concerned directly in the perfecting of the bill have admitted that it is most radical. It was pointed out, however, that while undoubtedly the measure will work to the advantage of big corporations, it will also work to the advantage of the government.

Election of Officers.

Accounts of stewardships were given and new officers placed in authority at a joint meeting of Fred Douglass Post, No. 21, and O. P. Morton Women's Relief Corps, No. 1, in G. A. R. Hall last night.

The following were elected officers of Fred Douglass Post: Thomas Lynn, commander; S. W. Hurlbert, senior vice commander; William Howard, junior vice commander; S. A. Fleetwood, quartermaster; Mildred Peterson, chaplain; Alexander Oglesby, officer of the day; and B. F. Davis, instructor. The Women's Relief Corps elected Annie E. Grimes, president; A. M. Chase, senior vice president; Catharine Green, junior vice president; Mrs. C. E. Bulcher, secretary; Carrie H. Thomas, treasurer; Sarah E. Rosier, chaplain; Mary M. Hutchins, conductor; Mildred Elgin, guard; Annie E. Devaul, assistant guard; and Julia M. Taylor, instructor.

FAVORED BY LABOR

A. F. of L. Pledges Support to Conservation.

OTHER RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Executive Body Favors Limiting Immigration, and Will Urge Congress to Be Economical in Matter of Appropriations—Phases of Employers' Liability Law Discussed at Length.

A resolution pledging the organization's co-operation with all the forces working in behalf of the conservation of natural resources of the United States was adopted at a meeting yesterday of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor.

The question of limiting and regulating immigration also was taken up. It was decided to have a committee appear before the Committees on Immigration of the Senate and House.

Another matter that came up for discussion was that of employers' liability and workmen's compensation laws, and it was decided that the bills that the Federation should support are those that eliminate the old conception of assumption of risks, contributory negligence, and the waiver of rights. It is thought that the workman should be put in the same position as any other citizen; if his own negligence be contributory, then a suit for damages to that extent should be limited or reduced.

In another resolution that was adopted the opinion is expressed that appropriations made by Congress are too large and that body is asked to practice the greatest possible economy consistent with the proper administration of affairs of the government, thereby lessening the taxation and adding to the comforts of the wage earners. The resolution further urges that efforts be made to promote arbitration among nations, for the adjustment of international questions that arise and fall of adjustment through the usual diplomatic methods.

New Bureau Is Favored.

President Gompers was directed to convey to the Department of Commerce and Labor the view of the Federation that a bureau be created by the department for the purpose of investigating the conditions under which working women in this country live.

The secretary was instructed to notify President Taft, Vice President Sherman, Speaker Cannon, and the chairman of the Rivers and Harbors Committee of the House of the Federation's favorable attitude toward the deeper waterways projects.

The eight-hour bill and the measure to regulate convict labor, introduced in the House by Representative Gardner, were both indorsed, as was the bill introduced by Representative Splight, of Mississippi, for the protection of the rights and interests of seamen.

After considerable discussion it was decided to recommend that all organizations affiliated with the Federation take an active part in the next Congressional elections.

OFFICERS REVIEW MILITIAMEN

Enthusiasm Marks Annual Parade at Center Market Armory.

Medals Presented by Gen. Harries to Those Having Served More Than Five Years.

Enthusiasm marked the annual parade and review of the First Regiment, District Militia, last night in the armory over Center Market. Hundreds of friends and admirers tested the capacity of the hall, which had been decorated with American flags.

Medals were presented to those who had served more than five years by Gen. George H. Harries after the final review.

Guard mount by Company K at 8:15 o'clock was the first feature, after which the twelve companies making up the regiment passed in review. On the reviewing stand were Gen. Harries and members of his staff, Maj. A. L. Robbins, Maj. L. W. Herron, Maj. William Hodges, and Maj. Fred Cook.

The regimental staff, consisting of Col. Charles H. O'Rand, Capt. Harry Cooke, Capt. D. L. Richmond, and Capt. D. S. Bliss, was also in the reviewing stand. The following received medals: Maj. Charles R. Lee, Medical Corps, twenty-year; Second Lieut. W. Lawrence Hazard, First Infantry, fifteen-year; First Lieut. Robert E. Meyer, First Infantry, fifteen-year; Capt. D. L. Richmond, First Infantry, ten-year; Private Joseph L. Bumbach, First Infantry, ten-year; Capt. Charles L. Brockway, First Infantry, six-year; First Lieut. Alfred B. McLaughlin, First Infantry, six-year; First Lieut. Jacob S. Meyer, Company H, First Infantry, six-year; Quartermaster Serg. David George, Company H, First Infantry, six-year; Serg. Max Seba, Company D, First Infantry, six-year; Corp. George P. Pennington, Company D, First Infantry, six-year; Private Henry Lovell, Company M, First Infantry, six-year; Capt. J. Harry Bean, First Infantry, ten-year; Private James S. Daniels, Company G, First Infantry, six-year.

CONFEDERATE VETERAN DEAD.

Member of Virginia Constitutional Convention Passes Away.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Danville, Va., Jan. 13.—Hon. George W. Jones, aged seventy-seven, died at his home in this county to-day. He was a member of the Virginia constitutional convention and a Confederate veteran. He was in command of the Spring Garden Blues in Pickett's famous charge at Gettysburg, where he was wounded. A wife and four children survive.

Society Couple Married.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Boyd's, Md., Jan. 13.—The marriage yesterday in Washington of Miss Aldah Brent White, daughter of Joseph T. White, and Elmer C. Hoyle, of Barnesville, was a social event of much importance in Montgomery County.

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SONS PLAN LADIES' NIGHT.

President Daughters of American Revolution Will Be Guest.

Announcement was made last evening at the monthly meeting of the board of management of the Sons of the American Revolution of the District, of arrangements for the observance of ladies' night at Rauscher's next Wednesday.

As special guests on the sons on this occasion will be the general officers of the Daughters of the Revolution, residing in Washington, including Mrs. Matthew T. Scott, president general. A musical programme will be carried out with Miss Mae King as soloist, the numbers for the most part being patriotic in spirit. The latter part of the evening will be devoted to dancing.

The ladies' night committee consists of Frank B. Martin, chairman; F. B. Owen, Frank P. Reeside, Charles E. Kern, F. W. Graham, and John G. Johnson. Those present at the meeting last evening were Edward B. Moore, William A. De Caudry, Albert D. Spangler, Prof. Selden M. Ely, Paul Brockett, Commander John H. Moore, H. P. Holden, William L. Marsh, Frederick C. Bryan, Albert J. Gore, and Frank B. Martin. The following were elected to membership: Joseph S. Baldwin, Jr., Amasa M. Holcombe, Dr. Tunis Cline Quick, Abraham Lincoln Swartwout, Lewis Stoddard Taylor.

Announcement was made of the death of R. W. Patrick, formerly a member of the society.

BAR WHITE DOLLS FOR NEGRO BABIES

Colored Congregation Decides Issue Theologically.

Wilmington, Del., Jan. 13.—A decision just posted in St. James' Church (colored) puts the ban on white dolls so far as this congregation is concerned, and there is a general resort to stove polish and lamp black among the toy dealers with a hold-over stock of Christmas dolls.

All phases of the question, ethnological and theological, were considered in heated debate. The debate took place last night, the question being:

"Resolved, That colored mothers purchase colored dolls for their little children."

The affirmative was maintained by the Rev. R. T. Pennington, of Clifton Mills, and George W. Benson, of this city, endeavoring vainly to uphold the superior attractions of the bleached-out playthings.

But all to no purpose. When "Brother" Pennington boldly advanced the idea that the divine plan contemplated no bleaching process for the colored man preparatory to the resurrection, and consequently the negro child should not run counter to the Creator's scheme and fondle white dolls, the judges gave a halting verdict in his favor by a score of 5 to 4.

Following this, the congregation voted to uphold the decision, and all pledged themselves to see that their children saved all their budding affection for dolls of their own color, or chocolate, or café au lait hue.

TAFT DISCUSSES "FUTURES"

Confers with Several Representatives Regarding the Evil.

Attorney General Will Prepare Bill Prohibiting Sending of Messages by Telegraph, &c.

The question of dealing in futures was discussed yesterday at a conference between President Taft and Representatives Scott, of Kansas, Lovering, of Massachusetts, and Burleson, of Texas. Last year Mr. Scott introduced a bill forbidding the use of interstate telegraph and telephone and the mails for transmitting messages referring to "futures" on farm products.

Attorney General Wickersham and Commissioner of Corporations Smith were present at the meeting, and the subject was referred to the Attorney General, who will prepare a bill to remedy the evil. The measure is introduced in the House there will be hearings on it, so that the cotton exchange people and others interested in opposing it may have a chance to present their views.

In nominating Ludlow F. Petty to be collector of internal revenue for the Fifth district of Kentucky, and Asbury P. Patrick for United States marshal for the Eastern district of the State, President Taft yesterday partly settled the Blue Grass State patronage fight, standing by the organization as represented by Senator Bradley and Representatives Langley and Bennett.

President Thirkield, of Howard University, arranged for President Taft to dedicate the Carnegie library at the university, March 10.

WEDDING SECRET SIX MONTHS.

Railroad Agent and Bride on Honeymoon in Florida.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Cumberland, Md., Jan. 13.—Announcement has just been made of the marriage of Miss Rebecca Pearl Merrill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Merrill, of Winchester, Va., and John Cessna Boor, son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Boor, of Cumberland, on August 28, 1903.

Mr. and Mrs. Boor have gone to Florida. They will reside at Luke, this county, where the bridegroom is the agent of the Western Maryland Railroad.

Shippers to Confer with Road.

Fairmont, W. Va., Jan. 13.—A. K. Thorn, president of the West Virginia Shippers' Association, has appointed a committee to wait on President Willard, of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, to urge better shipping facilities.

Rites for Mrs. Willard.

At 2 o'clock this afternoon funeral services for Mrs. Lucy Parker Willard, widow of Caleb Clapp Willard, will be held at the home, Fourteenth and F streets northwest, Rev. Randolph H. McKim, pastor of Epiphany Church, of which Mrs. Willard was a member, will officiate. The following will act as pallbearers: L. Ross Perry, Alfred F. Thard, H. K. Willard, Col. Arthur Herbert, Leigh Robinson, J. V. Canfield, and W. Humphries.

Two Winchester Deaths.

Winchester, Va., Jan. 13.—Mrs. Margaret Ward, wife of Charles F. Ward, a prominent resident of Frederick County, died to-day, aged fifty-five years. Harry V. Cornwell, a young farmer, died to-day of consumption, aged twenty-eight years. His wife, who was Miss Elizabeth Shirley, survives.

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PRISONER'S POCKETS LINED WITH BONDS

Police Hold Man Known as Lord Ashburton.

New York, Jan. 13.—Charles F. Richards, better known to the police of this country and England under the name of Lord Ashburton, was arrested this afternoon by Detectives McConville and Nelson on his person or in his possession United States Steel shares, preferred and common, Interborough-Metropolitan, Bay State Gas, Consolidated Mining, United Copper, Ohio Copper, Bethlehem Steel, and other gilt-edged securities.

After an exhaustive examination of Lord Ashburton's pockets, all that was found were two \$50 gold bonds, first mortgage 5 per cent, of the North Jersey Gas Company; three \$1,000 bonds, 6 per cent, New Jersey Iron and Steel Corporation; four \$500-share certificates of the Oklahoma Petroleum Company; one 100-share certificate of the Nevada-Boston Mining and Smelting Company; one 200-share certificate of the Goldfield Eastern Consolidated Mining Corporation; the face value of the whole being \$54,300.

Lord Ashburton was held on a charge of attempted grand larceny. His wife, who was arrested with him, was allowed to go.

McConville was informed some time ago that Richards was in this city and in possession of the stock mentioned. McConville said to-night that, knowing Richards' record, he thought it was to find out if he really had such a line of securities and, if so, where he got them.

Richards was found at 323 West Twenty-third street, where he was living with his wife.

Richards, or Lord Ashburton, has a long criminal record. He is listed in the rogues' gallery under the names of Charles Bertram, alias William Griffiths.

PLACES OF INTEREST.

Library of Congress—Open 9 a. m. to 10 p. m. on secular days; from 2 p. m. to 9 p. m. on Sundays and on certain holidays.

Public Library—Open 9 a. m. to 9 p. m.; holidays, 9 a. m. to 9 p. m.; Sundays, 2 to 9 p. m.

White House—Open 10 a. m. to 2 p. m.

432 p. m. Other days, 2 to 4 p. m.

Courtesy Gallery of Art—Open (from Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, 9:30 to 4 p. m.; Sunday, 1:30 to 4:30 p. m. Other days, 2 to 4 p. m.)

State, War, and Navy Departments—Open 9 a. m. to 2 p. m. (The original Declaration of Independence is in the library at State Department.)

United States Treasury—Open 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

United States Patent Office—Open 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

United States Pension Bureau—Open 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.

United States Post Office—Open 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

Washington City Police Office—Open all hours.

The Dead Letter Office is in the city post office.

National Botanic Gardens—Open 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Smithsonian Institution—Open 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. (including holidays).

Agricultural Department—Open 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m.

Bureau of Engraving and Printing—Open 9 a. m. to 2:30 p. m.

Washington Monument (555 ft. in height)—Open 9:30 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. (Elevator runs from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.)

National Museum—Open 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. (including holidays).

Government Printing Office—Open 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

Navy Yard—Open 9 a. m. to 5:30 p. m.

Southwest Cottage, 381 st. and Prospect ave.

Key Mansion—Home of Francis Scott Key, author of "The Star Spangled Banner," 2018 M street northwest. Open daily, except Sunday, 9 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. Admission free.

IN THE SUBURBS.

Zoological Park—Open all days.

Rock Creek Bridge and Reservoir.

Clay Chase and Kensington.

Navy Observatory—Open 9 a. m. to 3 p. m.

Mount Vernon (the home and tomb of Washington)—Open 11 a. m. to 4 p. m.

United States Soldiers' Home—Open 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

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CONSERVATION.

Next to the high cost of living, the greatest interest of the American people to-day is in the issue raised by Gifford Pinchot, and which will be thoroughly aired in Congress in the next few weeks. A discussion of the entire subject, with especial reference to the controversy between the late Chief Forester and the Secretary of the Interior, will appear in the columns of

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In the Literary Magazine section next Sunday there will be a liberal installment of a great serial story by Arthur W. Marchmont, whose name is known wherever good modern novels are read. He wrote "By Right of Sword," which was dramatized in this country; "The Man Who Was Dead," and several other best sellers. For the benefit of those who have not read the opening chapters, we will publish a complete synopsis, so that you may get into the story without losing anything.

There will be three short stories in addition. One by William M. Clemens, entitled "The Mystery of the Wall Street Bear," an absorbing mystery story by a man who is recognized as New York's greatest writer in matters of criminology. Another is called "The Guardian of No. 87," a story that will stir up lively discussion of the topic, "Are Dreams Ever Prophetic?" The third story is by Percival Landon, one of England's best short story writers, and a traveler of wide reputation. His tale is entitled "And Our Ignorance in Asking," and is different in plot and style.

In addition to these features, the Literary Magazine contains each week a department of humor by one of the few real American humorists of the present day, George Fitch, of Peoria. You've read the "Ole Skjarsen" football stories in the Saturday Evening Post—everybody has; well, our George Fitch is the same George Fitch who wrote those stories. He is selling more stories to magazines to-day than any other humorist, for the reason that his genius is absolutely new and refreshing. His weekly department alone makes our Literary Magazine worth while.

MINISTERS FROM EUROPE AND LATIN AMERICA.

Charles M. Conger, who has so capably discussed the social and diplomatic lives of the European ambassadors accredited to this government, will this week take up the ministers from Europe and from Latin America. Many of these men have interesting personalities, with which the residents of Washington are little acquainted.

GEN. ROBERT E. LEE AND HIS UNIFORM.

Reasons why the Confederate leader should be given a place in Statuary Hall in the garb he wore while serving his State and the lost cause.

STRANGE ANIMALS FROM AFRICA.

Names of beasts hunted by the Roosevelt expedition arouse interest. Some of the most important ones described by a member of the party, who has returned from the jungle.

HUMBLE ORIGIN OF OLD WORLD MONARCHS.

King Albert's succession to the

DARK HORSE WINS MAYORALTY

Recount of Ballots Fails to Change Hess' Victory.

Fairmont, W. Va., Jan. 13.—The recount demanded by Thomas Richardson, candidate for mayor of Barnesville, failed to change the result and Thomas Hess was declared elected. Hess announced his candidacy on the day of the election, defeating both Richardson and James A. Smith, the result being, Smith, 29; Richardson, 39, and Hess, 43.

Trains in Collision.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Culpeper, Va., Jan. 13.—An extra double-header freight train of the Southern Railway collided with the rear end of a local, on a siding this afternoon, and the engineer of the front engine was slightly injured. A car of merchandise was telescoped.

Bond Issue Up Again.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Grafton, W. Va., Jan. 13.—The board of education has decided to resubmit the proposition to bond the city for \$100,000 for school purposes. It will be voted on at the next regular city election.

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